

## Procedure 3.301

### Beaufort Promise Program Procedure

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The Beaufort Promise program is made possible by new funding from the North Carolina Longleaf Commitment, the American Rescue Plan, as well as existing funding for Career & College Promise, Pell Grants (Title IV funds), NC Works, State Employees Credit Union, and the Golden LEAF Foundation and the BCCC Foundation. The program goes into effect July 1, 2021 and ends on May 16, 2023.

#### Qualifications for the Beaufort Promise Program:

- Students do not have to be residents of BCCC's service area.
- Full-time and part-time students qualify.
- There is no credit hour requirement for qualification. Non-credit students must be enrolled in an initial certification program of 50 or more contact hours.
- The Beaufort Promise is a "last dollar" program, meaning that the College will exhaust all other available federal or state funding first. Financial Aid and other college staff will help students sort through what funding they are eligible for.

#### Application process:

- Depending on the program of interest, students will fill out FAFSA or equivalent financial intake form through the Financial Aid Office or through the Division of Continuing Education. Contact the BCCC Financial Aid Office at 252-940-6222 for credit courses or the Division of Continuing Education at 252-940-6375 for non-credit courses.
- Students who are eligible for Beaufort Promise must complete the online Beaufort Promise Authorization form in order to receive funding. The College will offer to pay outstanding student debts incurred between March 2020 and December 27, 2020 via the American Rescue Plan. The debt must have occurred between March 2020 and December 27, 2020.
- Students with a bachelor's degree or higher are eligible for the program.
- Students who have a FASFA on file with another institution and are receiving federal and/or state aid at that institution are not eligible for the program.
- Special credit students are eligible.

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Fees covered by the Beaufort Promise program:

- Only tuition and fees are covered. Textbooks and cost of attendance (housing, transportation, etc.) are not covered by the program.
- Only tuition and fees for fall and spring semesters are covered. Summer semester 2022 tuition and fees are not eligible under the Beaufort Promise program.
- The Beaufort Promise is non-refundable and not retroactive.
- Students who qualify for Pell Grants (Financial Aid) can use those funds to cover costs such as textbooks. Students can also apply for internal and external scholarships, as well as child care assistance.

Programs covered by the Beaufort Promise Program:

- All programs through our Division of Nursing and Allied Health, Division of Arts and Sciences, and Division of Business, Industry and Public Services are covered. Initial certification programs through the Division of Continuing Education such as Nurse Aide I, CDL Truck Driving, Manicuring, HVAC Technician, Phlebotomy, Real Estate Pre-License and other 50+ hour programs are covered.
- Only courses in the student's program of study are covered by the Beaufort Promise program.

### References

**Legal References:** *Enter legal references here*

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**Cross References:**

### History

**Leadership Council Review/Approval Dates:** *Enter date(s) here*

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